

HANDS-AROUND-PACIFIC DINNER BIG SUCCESS; 300 "LIVE WIRES"

Over three hundred people, gathered from all the countries that border on the Pacific Ocean, sat down to a Chinese menu last night at a Japanese restaurant on Nuuanu Avenue, Honolulu, to discuss the project of establishing in New York a Pan-Pacific bureau from which word of the great ocean might be distributed throughout the length and breadth of America. Four countries have already pledged themselves to subscribe their share—Hawaii, New Zealand, the Philippines and Australia—and last night the representatives of the various countries pledged themselves to urge their governments to cooperate with the movement and make the thing an assured success.

The members of the Hands-Around-the-Pacific Club showed their loyalty last night, when out of 350 invited only some twenty-five failed to show up. The others came through pouring torrents of rain, and the word going the rounds was that the Pacific had come to the club.

Hawaii came in for a great boost from all hands, and many of the tourists who spoke expressed their surprise that more people did not visit here. A. Alan of Calgary predicted that if a missionary was sent through Canada the investment would return a million per cent.

The meeting was presided over by Governor Frear and with him were General M. M. Macomb, Admiral Walter G. Cooke, President E. L. Spaulding of the Chamber of Commerce and Alexander Huone Ford. After a reference to the history of the club, the Governor called on Ford to make a resolution. The "live wire" did not make any speech, but read the resolution, which was seconded by J. P. Cooke and was as follows:

"Whereas, The Pan-American Union, an international organization maintained by twenty-one American republics administered by governmental appointees from each republic, successfully maintains in the political capital of the United States a building and staff of workers devoted to the development of commercial, friendly intercourse and better acquaintance among the American republics, and this having proved a success, be it

"Resolved, That the Hands-Around-the-Pacific Club, organized for a somewhat similar association of the nations of the Pacific, hereby calls upon the governments about the great ocean, and especially the Governor of Hawaii to officially request them to appoint delegates backed by proper pro rata appropriations, to organize a permanent body to take up and carry to success the matter of establishing in the metropolis of America a Pan-Pacific building to house a permanent Pacific commercial exhibit and government tourist bureau, and to maintain there a force of workers with sufficient funds to advertise throughout America the advantages of the Pacific lands to the investor, emigrant or tourist. And be it further

For Hawaii.

J. L. McCandless, on behalf of Hawaii, extended an aloha nui to all. He spoke of the power Hawaii possessed for blending the nations of the world into one harmonious whole. He mentioned the fact of Dr. Sun coming from Hawaii and the fact that the nature of the place had made such a man possible. All the countries bordering on the Pacific should work for the quick transportation, he concluded.

He Said Nothing.

A. Allan, hailing from Canada, announced at the start that he would say nothing, and then launched out into the speech of the evening. As he thought of the rigorous cold that his own country suffers from at this time

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of year and he started to speak of the beautiful conditions he had found here, he waxed eloquent. He had come to stay two weeks and he was going to stay six months. He told of the hardy race of men and women that Canada was producing at the present time, and concluded by saying that there were thousands of Canadians with money to spend who went to California during the winter because they had never heard of Hawaii. "If you would send a man up there," he said, "on a missionary trip to tell them of the beauties of your country, the investment would return you a million per cent."

The Speechmaking.

Following the precedent set at the first meeting, a short speech was called for from a representative of each country. Honor of first place on this occasion was given to China, for which the Rev. F. W. Damon responded. He told of the fight that the new republic was making and also of the thoughts that were filling the breasts of the Chinese. He spoke of Dr. Sun Yat-Sen, the great man whom Hawaii had turned out to the world, and stated that if he was not elected as president it would be because of the motto Sun always held to—"Better be a bit of broken jade than a whole tile." This meant, he explained, that it is better to be a piece of broken jade than to be a snug tile on the roof. The Chinese present were cheered at the conclusion of the speech.

Friendship of Japan.

Editor Sheba of the Hawaii Shimpou responded for Japan. "We are all fellow passengers," he said. "In the same boat, pulling together for the prosperity of Hawaii and for the peace and happiness of all the races of the world that comingle here. Hawaii has a reputation for kindness," he continued, "that brings people here from all over the world. Let them come from the east and the west into this melting pot of the Pacific, and from this center let us stretch our hands of peace to the four corners of the world." Speaking of the lantern parade, he said the papers spoke of the Japanese cheering, inspiring and surprising. They were inspiring, but why surprising?

Quicker Steamers.

Washington's representative, A. L. Black, laid stress on the fact that Hawaii needed more and faster steamers and that the people here should not rest until they had a four-day service running. "If you had the necessary transportation and the people here, this would be the garden spot of the world. The necessity is quicker travel. With steamers capable of making a four-day trip you would have the Islands full of Washingtonians."

The Latin Americans.

Speaking for the Latin American tribe, J. E. Rocha told of the time when he came here as a small child thirty-one years ago. China had been spoken of as a new republic, he said, but they must remember that Portugal was also a republic now. The reason that more of his people did not come to the Islands was that at the present time Brazil is offering better opportunities.

Oregon a Booster.

Speaking for Oregon, Leslie Butler stated that in the near future Hawaii would have instead of fifteen hundred tourists a stream of fifteen thousand coming in. They grew in his own States the best apples and strawberries, and there was no reason why Hawaiian sugar should not be the best to put over them.

Although he denied stoutly that he was a nihilist, the Rev. Robert E. Smith delivered a fine humorous speech for the table. He has always on hand a fund of anecdotes, and in a very short time he had the room laughing and kept it so. He told of the theme of the brotherhood of man that had its birth with "the Master of us all."

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Old California.

Mr. Frawley, who went to California before the days when there was a State, and before the famous rush of 1849, spoke of the old times. He was pleased, he said, to see so many people at the dinner and also to see the heterogeneous nature of the gathering. For himself he was a democrat, with a small "d", to him.

The Southern States.

Judge A. S. Humphreys, speaking for the Southern States, dealt with the main theme of the evening. He then complimented the Governor in glowing terms upon his administration of the Territory, by which every man, no matter what his race or creed, had an equal and fair chance. The speech was cheered to the echo.

For Australia.

Speaking for Australia, John M. Giles stated that there was a big country with only a few people. They were going to have more people and they were coming to America to get them. The bureau was to be established in New York and Australia would stand behind it. Before very long, he concluded, throughout the length and breadth of America will be heard the Australian call of "Coo-ee."

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WASHINGTHON, D. C., Feb. 14.—Further hearing of the charges of possible activity against Major Major Ray, paymaster in the army, stationed at Chicago, was held by the House committee on expenditures in the War Department today, and letters and orders bearing on the case were read. The correspondence included a letter from Major Ray's clerk to Paymaster General Whipple, written from Atlanta June 25, 1910, in which the clerk, whose name has been suppressed, declared that Ray had been unduly friendly with his wife, and in which he unbent to the general a story characterized by him as "sledding" and implying for a transfer from Major Ray's office.

Major Ray is well known in Honolulu.

AUSTRALIAN DECORATIONS MUCH PRAISED

The decorative scheme prevailing at the Australian and New Zealand tables at the Hands-Around-the-Pacific banquet, held at Nuuanu street school last evening, was striking and received much favorable comment from the large number of delegates and invited guests present at the function. Under the artistic direction of Mrs. V. L. Stevenson, Miss Dolly Clough, Miss Little Cloman, Mrs. R. O. Matheson and other ladies, these tables were beautifully decorated, displaying a design that faithfully portrayed characteristics of the countries which the banqueters seated there were delegated to represent.

A large "southern cross" in silver stars was one feature that added much to the appearance of the table. A design composed of flowers characteristic of the big southern continent were shown to perfection.

To the committee of ladies who labored until a late hour in the afternoon, much praise is due and was freely given by the committee in charge of the banquet.

The Merritt is schooner rigged with two steel masts and of the following dimensions: Length over all 300 feet; breadth moulded, 45 feet; depth to awning deck, 28 feet 3 inches.

The hull is built of steel throughout to Lloyd's requirements for the 100 A1 class, and is subdivided by six watertight bulkheads. A cellular double bottom extends the full length for use as ballast tanks or fresh water storage.

The vessel has been designed as an inter-island transport for conveyance of officers, troops and supplies from Manila to the various outlying islands the accommodations being located on upper, awning and shade decks, with large refrigerating chambers placed in the forehold. The upper and awning decks are steel throughout, shathed with teak. All the houses on these decks are of steel lined with Oregon pine with accommodation for 50 passengers and berths for 250 soldiers.

On the awning deck amidships the main dining saloon, capable of seating 50, is located. It will be finished in white and gold with electropated electric fittings and leather-covered upholstery to match. Forward of the saloon is the quartermaster's suite including bedroom, bathroom and office fitted up in luxurious style with every possible requirement.

BORN.

TURNER.—In Honolulu, Feb. 22, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Turner, a son.

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A trip over snow-capped mountains, a wild pig hunt and through New Zealand Bush, Opera House, Tuesday evening, Feb. 27.

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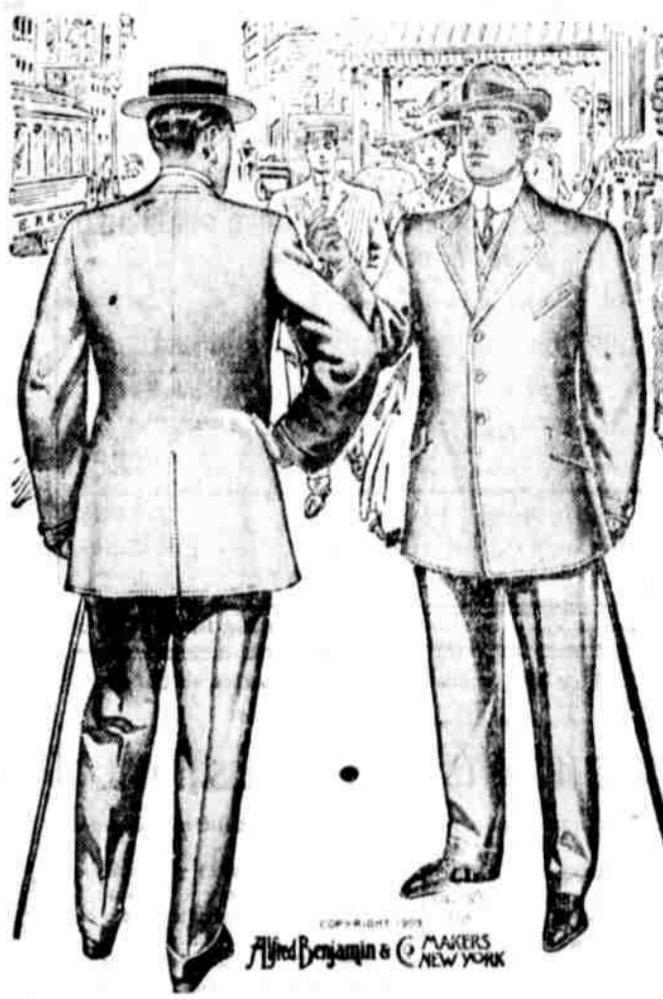
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PUBLIC WELFARE

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already undergoing its transformation from a playground to the scene of Public Welfare Exhibits, which open Monday at half-past six in evening. The Department of Instruction has already arranged display and there will be others arranged all day with the bad ones coming on Monday.

The floor has now been allotted, several of the announced exhibitors fitting out for lack of time and other coming in. On one side of the room is a separate house on the aft end of awning deck the hospital is located, fitted with 12 berths, bathroom, operating room, dispensary and room for attendants which will be equipped with all modern surgical and medical requisites. On the same deck forward the crew are housed under the forecastle.

On the boat deck a large steel house accommodates the captain and officers with the fore part arranged for the navigation of the vessel with an extra chart house placed immediately overhead.

The upper deck provides accommodation for engineers, electricians, stewards, clerks, etc., besides second class passengers with the necessary bath, lavatory and mess rooms. Fore and aft of engine hoist casings are berths for 250 soldiers; these are easily removable, being made of light steel fittings.

A wireless house has been placed on the shade deck. The vessel will be propelled by twin screws driven by triple expansion three-cylinder surface condensing engines of ample power for a speed of 12½ knots an hour.

The vessel will of course be lighted throughout in the most elaborate manner with electric light and it is also equipped for electric fans.

Refrigerating chambers having a capacity of 18,000 cubic feet are provided in the forward hold and three ice machines will be installed of ample capacity with brine pumps, tanks, coils, etc., complete.

Downstairs the classrooms will be dedicated to domestic displays. Several of the rooms are to be arranged as model rooms, as already announced in the Bulletin. In another will be duplicated conditions in a dark room and another will be devoted to a violin and cello.

There will be a cloister room for boys and one for gentlemen, an informer room and all the other conveniences that can make the public feel more home and more like staying or eating again.

There will be a big banner at King street at the Ullila junction announcing the place to dismount the Rapid Transit car and the grounds will be illumined at night.

Gentlemen who want their ch

OFFICIAL REPORT COOK INCIDENT

Formal acknowledgment of the action of the Pacific fleet in renovating and restoring to good condition the Captain Cook monument at Kealakekua Bay has been made on behalf of his government by British Consul Thomas Harrington. Mr. Harrington has sent a letter to Admirals Thomas, expressing his appreciation of what he terms "an act of extreme courtesy," and he also states that he has notified his government of the facts of the case.

The renovating of the monument to the famous British navigator and explorer struck a responsive chord with the American bluejackets who did the work while the fleet was on its last cruise in island waters, and there was a scramble for places in the working party that cleaned the shaft, repaired the ironwork and put the surrounding plot in good condition.

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